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Coast Guard establishes new security zones

Action protects cruise ships and Colorado River dams

SAN DIEGO – Under the Captain of the Port authority, the Coast Guard yesterday established new security zones in San Diego Bay and on the Colorado River.

The new cruise ship security zone prohibits any vessel from coming within 100 yards of any cruise ship in San Diego Bay. The zone is in effect both while the cruise ship is underway and when it is moored. Coast Guard and other law enforcement agencies will enforce these zones.

The Colorado River zones protect the Hoover, Davis and Glen Canyon dams. The zones cover the National Park Service lands and waters surrounding each of the dams. Primarily, the National Park Service will enforce these zones as they fall within National Parks system areas.

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Violations of these security zones are punishable by civil or criminal penalties as appropriate. Civil penalties may be as much as \$27,500 per violation. Criminal penalties include imprisonment for not more than 6 years and a fine of not more than \$250,000. The zones are effective until May 5, 2002.

The full text of these safety zones is posted online at:

www.uscg.mil/d11/sandiego/mso.

Anyone wishing to comment on these security zones should contact Coast Guard Lieutenant j.g. Joseph Brown at (619) 683-6495.

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